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seems like we do probably sometimes some of the finest and sometimes not so good legislation when we get down to crunch time. But I believe that those that have said, you folks down there just have to bite the bullet and do some cutting; well, I believe tomorrow morning that the people of this state will probably wake up and say, hey, those people down there are getting serious; maybe we really are in trouble. I don't think we're probably in any more trouble than any other state in the country, but I'm glad to see things like this introduced. For one thing, it will open people's eyes to the fact that we are serious, we are looking at the big three, not just piecemealing away on every little subject that comes along. There's still some things that need to be addressed before we sine die this year, one in particular that I'm quite interested in. I hope we can get to that again. But I believe we're doing, hopefully, the right thing here. Senator Chambers has expressed his desire for years that something like this needs to be done, and it's fallen upon deaf ears. Maybe it takes about once every ten years for us to wake up to the fact that maybe we haven't done such a good job. When the horn of plenty was overflowing,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...we could do no wrong. A few bucks here, a few bucks there, it's not going to make any difference. We're on a big roll. What goes around comes around, folks, and it's come around. We're going to have to make some drastic...take some drastic steps if we want to get out of this mess, and this is one of them. With that, thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Thompson, followed by Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I oppose this amendment. And this has been an interesting discussion to listen to. One of the things I've always thought over the years is that Lincoln had an incredible economic development person back when all these decisions were made because we're one of the few states where the capital has the university and the prison. It's absolutely amazing. I come from a district that has no prisons, no veterans' homes, no